

# Councilwoman Bonner Announces Mount Sinai Harbor Marine Stewardship Center Summer Programs at Cedar Beach

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**Farmingville, NY** - Councilwoman Jane Bonner has announced that the Town will sponsor a schedule of summer environmental and educational programs for the entire family at the Mount Sinai Harbor Marine Stewardship Center at Cedar Beach. The programs, which begin on July 10 and run to August 30, cover the history, geology and ecology of Cedar Beach as well as children's activities, crafts, nature hikes and more. In addition, the Center is open every Thursday from July 11 through August 29 (except August 15) from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm. Adults and children alike can enjoy the various displays, make a beach craft to take home and visit the animals in the touch tanks.

"The Marine Stewardship Center is a real jewel of the north shore," said Councilwoman Bonner. "The programs that we offer give families the opportunity to be up close with nature and learn how important it is to protect and preserve the environment. I encourage everyone to visit the center and take advantage of all that it has to offer."

## **The schedule of events is as follows:**

- July 10 at 6:00 pm - Ecology of Cedar beach Walking Tour presented by Eileen Gerle, Town of Brookhaven Environmental Educator
- July 31 at 6:00 pm - Geological Origins of Cedar Beach presented by Assemblyman Steve Englebright
- August 7 at 6:00 pm - History of Cedar Beach presented by Barbara Russell, Town of Brookhaven historian

## **Programs for youngsters include:**

- Growing Up Wild - An age appropriate program that will include marine animals, crafts, stories, and nature hikes and activities. Parents must accompany 3 - 8 year olds and are welcome to join 9-12 year old group. Conducted by Eileen Gerle, Town of Brookhaven Environmental Educator

Ages 3-5 -- 10:00 - 11:00 am July 19, 26, August 2, 23, 30

Ages 6-8 -- 12:00 noon - 1:00 pm July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9, 23, 30

Ages 9-12 -- 2:00 - 3:00 pm July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9, 23, 30

- Group Seining Activity - August 16 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Meet at marshy area across the street from the Marine Stewardship Center. Conducted by Eileen Gerle, Town of Brookhaven Environmental Educator

Reservations are required for all programs. E-mail your reservation to [egerle@brookhaven.org](mailto:egerle@brookhaven.org) . Programs will not be conducted in inclement weather. Dates and times are subject to change.

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